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Agenda item 37
Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development

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Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 46/139 of 17 December 1991, 47/92 of 16 December 1992, 48/100 of 20 December 1993, 50/161 of 22 December 1995, 50/227 of 24 May 1996, 51/202 of 17 December 1996, 52/25 of 26 November 1997 and 53/28 of 19 November 1998,

Also recalling Economic and Social Council decision 1991/230 of 30 May 1991, resolutions 1992/27 of 30 July 1992, 1995/60 of 28 July 1995, 1996/7 of 22 July 1996, 1996/36 of 26 July 1996, 1997/56 of 23 July 1997, 1998/44 and 1998/46 of 22 July 1998, and 1999/55 of 30 July 1999, and agreed conclusions 1995/1 of 28 July 1995, 1996/1 of 26 July 1996 and 1997/1 of 25 July 1997,

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1. *Reaffirms* the commitments adopted by heads of State and Government at the World Summit for Social Development, contained in the Copenhagen Declaration on Social Development[1] and the Programme of Action,[2] and their pledge to give the highest priority to national, regional and international policies and actions for the promotion of social progress, social justice, the betterment of the human condition and social integration, based on full participation by all;

2. *Emphasizes* the urgency of placing the goals of social development, as contained in the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action, at the centre of economic policy-making, including policies influencing domestic and global market forces and the global economy;

3. *Also emphasizes* the need for revitalized economic and social development everywhere within a framework that places people at the centre of development and aims to meet human needs rapidly and more effectively by, *inter alia*, enhancing positive interaction between economic and social policies, and stresses the need for strong, sustained political will at the national, regional and international levels to invest in people and their well-being in order to achieve the objectives of social development;

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4. *Recalls* its resolution 50/161, in which it decided to hold a special session in 2000 for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the outcome of the Summit and to consider further actions and initiatives;

5. *Reiterates* its invitation to Member States to participate in the special session at the highest political level possible and in the meantime to continue to extend support to the preparatory process;

6. *Also reiterates* its invitation to the regional commissions, in accordance with their mandates and in cooperation with the regional intergovernmental organizations and banks, to continue to be involved in and to support the implementation of the objectives of the Summit, and welcomes in this context the holding of regional meetings for the preparation of the special session;

7. *Reiterates* once again that the objectives of the special session will be to reaffirm the Declaration and the Programme of Action agreed at the Summit and not to renegotiate them, to identify progress made and constraints therein, as well as lessons learned, in the implementation of the Declaration and the Programme of Action at the national, regional and international levels, and to recommend concrete actions and initiatives to further efforts towards full and effective implementation of the Declaration and the Programme of Action;

8. *Reaffirms* the need for effective partnership and cooperation between Governments, international organizations, the relevant actors of civil society, including the private sector, social partners and non-governmental organizations in the implementation of and follow-up to the Declaration and Programme of Action and in the preparatory process of the special session;

9. *Takes note* of the report of the first session of the Preparatory Committee for the Special Session,[3] established by the General Assembly in its resolution 52/25;

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[1] *Report of the World Summit for Social Development, Copenhagen, 6-12 March 1995* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.96.IV.8), chap. I, resolution 1, annex I.

[2] Ibid., annex II.

[3] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 45* (A/54/45 and Corr.1 and Add.1).

10. *Reiterates* its invitation to all relevant organs, funds and programmes, as well as the specialized agencies of the United Nations system, including the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization, to continue to contribute to and be actively involved in the preparatory process and the special session, and in this regard takes note in particular of the decision of the Preparatory Committee on the role of the United Nations system,[4] in which it invited all relevant organs and specialized agencies of the United Nations system and other concerned organizations, within their mandates, to elaborate and submit review reports and proposals for further action and initiatives, and of its decision on further preparations for the special session;[5]

11. *Also takes note* of the decision adopted by the Preparatory Committee at its resumed first session on accreditation and modalities for participation of non-governmental organizations at the special session,[6] and recalls General Assembly decision 54/407 of 8 October 1999 on arrangements regarding participation of non-governmental organizations in the special session;

12. *Recalls* the provisional agenda of the second session of the Preparatory Committee as adopted by the General Assembly in its decision 54/406 of 8 October 1999;

13. *Also recalls* the arrangements for the special session as recommended by the Preparatory Committee and adopted by the General Assembly in its decision 54/404 of 8 October 1999;

14. *Further recalls* General Assembly decision 54/405 of 8 October 1999, by which the special session will be entitled "World Summit for Social Development and beyond: achieving social development for all in a globalizing world";

15. *Also recalls* the recommendation by the Preparatory Committee at its organizational session that the Commission for Social Development be entrusted with the responsibility of acting as the forum for national reporting, benefiting from a sharing of experiences gained and thus identifying areas where further initiatives are need for consideration by the Preparatory Committee;

16. *Takes note* of resolution 37/1 of the Commission for Social Development, entitled "Social services for all", and the agreed conclusions contained therein, and its resolution 37/3 entitled "Initiation of the overall review of the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development";

17. *Recalls* that in accordance with the Commission's multi-year programme of work, as approved by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1996/7, the priority theme for its thirty-eighth session in February 2000 will be "Contribution of the Commission to the overall review of the implementation of the outcome of the Summit", and in this connection also recalls the invitation by the Preparatory Committee at its first session to the Commission to undertake the overall review of the implementation of the outcome of the Summit, and to transmit the results of its deliberations to the Preparatory Committee at its second session;

18. *Takes note* of the ministerial communiqué adopted by the Economic and Social Council at the high-level segment of its substantive session of 1999, entitled "The role of employment and work in poverty eradication: the empowerment and advancement of women";

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[4] Ibid., chap. VI, decision 1.

[5] Ibid., decision 2.

[6] Ibid., decision 3.

19. *Reaffirms* in this context the decision of the Preparatory Committee at its organizational session that its substantive activities should take into account the results of other major United Nations conferences and contributions by other relevant organs and specialized agencies of the United Nations system;

20. *Recalls* its decision in its resolution 53/28 to hold the special session at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 26 to 30 June 2000;

21. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Government of Switzerland for initiating and making arrangements for the special session;

22. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development;[7]

23. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its fifty-fifth session a report on the special session;

24. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the special session of the General Assembly in this regard".

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Agenda item 20 (a)
Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations

Greece and Turkey: draft resolution

Emergency response to disasters

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 44/236 of 22 December 1989 on the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction and agreed conclusions 1999/1 of the humanitarian affairs segment of the substantive session of 1999 of the Economic and Social Council,[1]

Deeply regretting the great number of casualties and the unprecedented devastation caused by one of the most powerful earthquakes of the century, which struck the north-west region of Turkey on 17 August 1999,

Equally expressing its sorrow for the loss of lives and devastation caused by the earthquake on 7 September 1999, in the north of Athens, Greece,

Noting with appreciation the prompt response of Governments, international agencies, non-governmental organizations and individuals throughout the world in providing emergency relief assistance to the victims of the earthquake in Turkey,

Expressing likewise its satisfaction for the timely assistance provided by Governments, international agencies, non-governmental organizations and individuals throughout the world, to the search and rescue and relief efforts undertaken by Greece, in the aftermath of the 7 September earthquake,

Welcoming the efforts of the Secretary-General as regards the urgent steps he has taken to mobilize humanitarian assistance and to coordinate activities of agencies of the United Nations system in the field, for purposeful and unified assistance by the international community,

[1] See A/54/3, chap. VI, para. 5.

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Deeply concerned at the fact that natural disasters in every corner of the globe continue to claim high numbers of casualties and cause immense material damage, and that the frequency and magnitude of these catastrophes lay an ever-increasing material and moral burden on nations,

Reiterating the importance of mounting prompt and effective rescue operations in the aftermath of such deadly calamities in the future, as evidenced by the exemplary response of the international community to the earthquakes in Turkey and Greece,

1. *Expresses its solidarity* with the Governments and peoples of Greece and Turkey, as they cope with the consequences of the disaster;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to all States of the international community, international and non-governmental organizations and individuals that are providing emergency relief to the affected areas;

3. *Notes with satisfaction* the decision taken by the Governments of Greece and Turkey to establish a joint Standby Disaster Response Unit comprising contingents drawn from governmental and non-governmental agencies of both countries, to reinforce and expand existing standby arrangements of the United Nations system, with no financial implications to the programme budget of the United Nations;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, through the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat to formulate the modalities for the utilization of the Standby Disaster Response Unit by the relevant agencies of the United Nations system;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fifty-fifth session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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Agenda item 99 (h)
Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: Implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development

Australia, Belgium, Benin, Cameroon, Canada, Denmark, Egypt, Germany, Guyana, Haiti, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Namibia, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Philippines, Senegal, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America: draft resolution

Thirtieth anniversary of the operation of the United Nations Population Fund

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2211 (XXI) of 17 December 1966, in response to which a trust fund, subsequently named the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, was established in 1967 by the Secretary-General,

Noting that the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, renamed in 1987 as the United Nations Population Fund, began operations in 1969,

Recalling its resolutions 3019 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, 31/170 of 21 December 1976 and 34/104 of 14 December 1979, in which it, *inter alia*, recognized the leading role and effectiveness of the Fund in the United Nations system in the population field and affirmed the Fund as a subsidiary body of the General Assembly,

Reaffirming Economic and Social Council resolutions 1763 (LIV) of 18 May 1973 and 1986/7 of 21 May 1986 stating the aims and purposes of the Fund,

1. *Congratulates* the United Nations Population Fund on the occasion of the thirtieth anniversary of its operation;

2. *Notes with appreciation* the positive contributions the Fund and its dedicated staff have made during its thirty years in promoting better understanding and awareness of population and development issues, in improving the quality of human life, and in extending systematic and sustained assistance to developing countries, and countries with

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economies in transition, at their request, in undertaking appropriate national programmes to address their population and development needs.

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Addendum

Add the following countries to the list of sponsors of the draft resolution:

Algeria, Angola, Austria, Bangladesh, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Cuba, Cyprus, Finland, France, Greece, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, South Africa and **Tunisia**

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